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Presidential Commission's Visit to Dallas

On May 7, 1964, the Honorable John J. McCloy, member of the President's Commission, J. Lee Rankin, General Counsel of the Commission, and Inspector Kelley will arrive in Dallas on Braniff flight 9, due to arrive Dallas Love Field 6:45 PM. It is possible that the Honorable Allen Dullas and Senator Cooper will also travel with the three mentioned above.

Arrangements should be made for a suitable four door car to meet the party at Love Field. The Special Agent meeting the party should be prepared to describe to the group the location of the President's plane and in general the security measures in effect at Love Field at the time of the arrival of the President's plane on November 22. The party should then be driven to Dallas over the same route used by the Presidential motorcade on November 22. Upon the arrival of the party in the vicinity of the Texas School Book Depository a determination will be made whether the party wishes to procede to Parkland Hospital and afterwards perhaps, they will wish to visit the vicinity of the Trade Mart. The Special Agent meeting the party should be familiar with all of the locations, the routes thereto, and the pertinent activities at those places in the event the Commission members have questions concerning these locations.

On Friday, May 8, the party will probably wish to visit the Texas School Book Depository and arrangements should be made with Mr. Truly to make the appropriate floors on the School Book Depository available for inspection by the Commission. The location of the street markings at the assassination scene should be evident. An agent should be aware of the probable route taken by Oswald from the sixth floor to the place where he boarded the bus, where he alighted from the bus, where he boarded the taxi, and where the taxi let him out. He should also be aware of the location of the rooming houses in which Oswald lived and the rooms in those boarding houses which Oswald occupied. The Tippet shooting locale should be familiar to the agent as well as the probable routes Oswald took before and after Tippet shooting and his fleeing to the Texas theater.

The Commission will also wish to visit the Dallas Police Headquarters to see the room in which Oswald was interrogated, the location

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of the jail where he was kept, the route to the basement where he was shot, and in this connection we would expect to be assisted by the appropriate police authorities at the Dallas Police Headquarters.

The agent should be familiar with apartments in which Ruby lived, his probable route from his apartment to the Western Union, and the probable route he took from the Western Union to the basement of the Police Department. The location of the nightclub owned by Ruby should be known to the agent as well as all the addresses in which the Oswalds lived in and around Dallas and in Irving. Perhaps an agent could prepare an itinerary for Friday and Saturday which would cover these various addresses in order to conserve time and to prevent any doubling back to areas being covered.

While it is expected that the visit of the President's Commission will become known to the press, no comment will be made by this Service concerning the activities of the Commission to the press, either before they arrive, during their stay in Dallas or subsequent to their departure; all requests for information concerning this phase of the Commission's activities will be referred to the Commission in Washington.

It is anticipated that the Commission members will leave Dallas in the afternoon of Saturday, May 9.

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